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My High School Experience

The community and school system that I come from is affluent and successful, and until I read *Savage Inequalities*, I truly did not understand how atypical my high school experience truly was. I always remember walking around and always seeing people smiling back at you, not ever seeing some senior bullying a freshmen like everybody says they do in high school. Although I did not completely realize it, I had an idea of how unique our high school truly was. I recall saying things like “Bullying doesn’t even exist at our school” and “Everybody here is so nice”, simply because it was true; there were no serious cases of bullying at our school, and everybody was so friendly. The teachers were also superb at doing their jobs, landing our school in the top three in the state three of the four years I was there. With a close to 100% graduation rate, our school certainly was and still is an anomaly, especially compared to those described in *Savage Inequalities*. Overall, my high school experience was a successful one. I made a lot of life long friends and received an outstanding education that will help for my future. However, I know that this experience was a very abnormal one and a good amount of the kids I will run into will not have the same experiences as myself. I consider myself very lucky to have had such a successful and fun time in high school, and I am very much aware of the fact that most kids do not get this opportunity, so I am very thankful for it.